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A Challenge to Subandrio

President Sukarno and his presumptive heir, Foreign Minister Subandrio, are deeply disturbed by the current anti-Communist outburst in Indonesia. They are appealing for moderation and responsibility.

These are virtues for which they themselves have not been distinguished in the past, at least in their treatment of the United States and the non-Communist countries. If they belatedly invoke them now, it is on behalf of Communists and of Peking—not others.

But responsibility, even at this late

date in Sukarno's reign, remains a respectable virtue. And since it is being invoked by Subandrio, it might be applied to his accusation that Jakarta newspapers (which have been exposing and denouncing Communist schemes) "are being financed by the CIA."

Subandrio might now demonstrate his responsibility by producing the evidence to support his charges, as demanded by demonstrators in Jakarta. His failure to do so would again expose him for what many have long known him to be.